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Choushan Islands.

1. On 13 January 1953 there were two 500-ton naval ships, three small Japanese-type gunboats, four armed fishing boats, three small landing craft, and ten motor junks at Taot'ou (6670/7333) Wharf, Tinghai (N 30-03, E 122-06).
2. On 13 January the following vessels were at Shenchiamen (N 29-58, E 122-18):
 - a. Two 150-ton landing craft, each equipped with one anti-tank gun and two .50 caliber machine guns.
 - b. Twelve unarmed motor junks.
 - c. Three fishing boats, each equipped with one 20mm gun, one 13mm gun, and four heavy machine guns.
3. In early January a battalion of naval personnel was stationed in Shenchiamen with its headquarters in an ice factory at Pant'ang (0584/1048), Shenchiamen.

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Haimen.

4. In late December 1952 there was one shipyard at Hsintaot'ou (2450/6670/7333), Haimen (N 28-40, E 121-26), and another shipyard in the vicinity of the west truck station of Haimen. Both of these yards were capable of handling ships of 500 tons displacement. The HSIN T'AI CHOU (2450/0669/1558) and LI TUNG (0448/2639) were being repaired at the yard near the truck station.
5. On 29 December there were four small gray gunboats, seven armed motor junks, and two merchant ships, the SAN LI (0005/0448) and the LI HSING (0448/5281), anchored at Haimen.
6. On 6 January 1953 three gray motor junks, with a total of ten men from a public security unit on board, arrived at Haimen from Fukien with a cargo of timber. The junks were still anchored at Haimen on 10 January.
7. On 7 January there were six small gunboats, equipped with 20mm and 13mm guns, anchored at Haimen. Eight motor junks were also anchored at Haimen.
8. On 8 January the LI TUNG arrived at Haimen from Shanghai with a full load of flour.
9. On 9 January seven gunboats were anchored at Haimen. In the evenings these boats were used for patrol work.
10. On 10 January, 11 motor junks were anchored at Haimen.

Chiaochiang

11. At 0910 hours on 17 January three 100-ton motor vessels and three motor junks sailed into Chiaochiang (N 28-42, E 121-22) from the north.
12. At 1015 hours on 17 January two 150-ton motor vessels sailed from Chiaochiang and headed north.
13. At 1030 hours on 17 January six Japanese-type motor trawlers entered Chiaochiang from the north, and one PGM-type gunboat and one LCT left Chiaochiang and headed north.
14. At 1030 hours on 19 January four 100-ton motor junks left Chiaochiang and headed north.
15. At 1440 hours on 10 February two ML-type (sic) gunboats, one YP-type gunboat, five 50-ton gunboats, two LCT-type 1,100-ton craft (sic), and seven 25-ton motor junks arrived at Chiaochiang from the north.

Wenchou Area.

16. On 19 December the LI TUNG arrived at Wenchou (N-28-02, E 120-40) with a cargo of coal. After discharging its cargo of coal, the ship was loaded with rice and prepared to leave the harbor.
17. On 19 December seven motor junks were anchored at Wenchou and nine motor junks were anchored at Tungt'oushan (N 27-50, E 121-08). Men in naval uniforms on Tungt'oushan were members of the sea defense troops.

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18. In early January two motor junks which patrolled the waters off Ch'umen (N 28-14, E 121-18), and Huoch'ashan (N 28-08, E 121-22) were anchored at K'anmen (N 28-06, E 121-16).
19. In early January six gunboats and 31 motor junks were anchored at Wenchou.
20. On 7 January one motor junk loaded with ammunition sailed from Wenling (N 28-23, E 121-21).
21. On 9 January, 20 sail junks were anchored at Chait'ou (N 28-08, E 121-22).
22. On 12 January two motor junks loaded with 97 cases of ammunition arrived at K'anmen.
23. On 24 December the forces on Tung't'oushan captured two Japanese fishing boats, the MANUN MARU (5502/5366/0029) Numbers 77 and 78. Eight Japanese and 25 Okinawan fishermen were sent to Hangchow.

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